

South King County Projects Update

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South King County traffic closures this week

Interstate 5, Federal Way

Monday through Thursday nights <u>expect extensive lane and ramp closures</u> as crews repair and pave the I-5 bridges over SR 18 and S. 336th Street. Drivers should expect significant delays. We ask drivers to help keep traffic moving by:

- taking alternate routes, including SR 167 and SR 99
- carpooling
- riding the bus when possible
- allowing extra time
- rescheduling trips

Tonight we'll <u>close the northbound on-ramp</u> from eastbound S. 320th Street to place pavement markings and move barriers.

Tonight and Wednesday night, we'll <u>close the right lane of northbound I-5</u> near S. 320th Street to place pavement markings.

State Route 18, Federal Way

Ramp closures at I-5 interchange – see above.

State Route 167, Auburn to Renton

Monday through Thursday nights expect <u>ramp closures</u> at 15th St. SW, S. 180th St., and SR 18 for paving and pavement repairs. Also expect a single lane closure northbound near SR 18 as crews work at the bridge.

State Route 599, Tukwila

Expect <u>daytime lane closures</u> in both directions of SR 599 at East Marginal Way Monday through Friday for work in the median on <u>Sound Transit's light rail project</u>.

Wanted: your comments on construction plans for replacing the Alaskan Way Viaduct

The Alaskan Way Viaduct is an important gateway for south King County drivers to Seattle and points north. Yesterday the Alaskan Way Viaduct project team released their <u>Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement</u>. This document updates the 2004 Draft EIS and provides new information about the project.

Replacing the viaduct will be a tough job, regardless of whether the replacement is a cut-and-cover tunnel or a new elevated structure. The Supplemental Draft EIS examines three construction plans for building the viaduct's replacement: shorter, intermediate and longer. Each plan is a balancing act between project timeframes and disruption to traffic.

The project team is interested in your comments. Do you want a shorter construction plan or is keeping the viaduct corridor open to traffic more important? You can send written comments to awvsdeiscomments@wsdot.wa.gov or Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall Replacement Project, Attn: Kate Stenberg, 999 Third Avenue, Suite 2424, Seattle, WA 98104. You can also provide oral or written comments by attending a public hearing in September. The public comment period ends September 22, 2006.

Want to learn more? Sign up for viaduct email updates.

Transportation commission wants your comments on draft Washington Transportation Plan

Over the past year Washington's business owners, elected officials, tribes, transportation planners and others have participated in helping to update the state's 20-year transportation plan. Now the Washington State Transportation Commission wants to hear from the people who use the system.

The Commission released the Draft Washington Transportation Plan (WTP) Update last Wednesday and began a 45-day comment period to gather feedback on the plan. You can <u>learn</u> more about the plan and give feedback online, or attend an <u>open house</u>. The comment period ends September 1, 2006.

Tune your radio to 1520 AM to hear a new project update each week on I-5 in Federal Way. <u>Submit questions or comments.</u>

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